

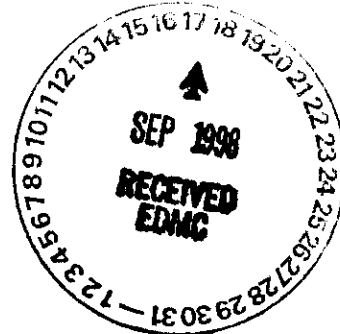


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Dr. Michael C. Kavanaugh
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Dear Dr. Kavanaugh:

**HANFORD SITEWIDE GROUNDWATER (GW)/VADOSE ZONE (VZ) TECHNICAL
EXPERT PANEL**

The U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations (RL), has made its final selection of candidates to serve on the subject panel. We are pleased to confirm that you have been selected and are looking forward to working with you on this very challenging project. RL believes the value added by this panel to the GW/VZ investigations at Hanford will be critical to the success of the entire program.

Mr. Michael A. Hughes, Bechtel Hanford, Inc., will be contacting you to provide contract and other pertinent information. If you want to discuss this matter further or require additional information, please contact me at (509) 376-3963.

Sincerely,

Richard A. Holten, Director
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